

## CHAPTER 1

### MISSION STATEMENT

The overall mission of this plan is to establish policies and implement strategies that will fulfill the consensus vision for Barrington. The vision for Barrington is to preserve and promote its unique small town heritage, preserve its distinct ecology and historical character, provide a moral and safe environment, maintain a high quality of life through the efficient use of community resources, and respond to future challenges through citizen participation in all civic, social, and cultural endeavors.

The community is committed to preserving the quality of its neighborhoods, the quality of education, and the diversity of leisure time activities. The community is dedicated to fostering an easily-accessible center of activity for the Barrington area, maintaining a prosperous economic base, protecting its extensive natural resources, and promoting public participation and communication. In order to accomplish this, policy documents should be created and growth management strategies employed to limit the amount and the intensity of future development and to protect and promote the Village's historic places and open spaces. Further, the Village should continue to coordinate its planning activities with surrounding BACOG municipalities, with the main objective of seeking consistent and compatible development.